GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3531
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DEMURRAGE CHARGES ON STORAGE TANKERS
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the storage tankers at various marketing terminals and depots of various oil companies are out of order for maintenance and repair;

(b) if so, whether the demurrage charges are mounting day by day on those storage tankers; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government to check such demurrage losses?

Answer

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PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : Storage tanks at marketing terminals and depots are sometimes required to be decommissioned for cleaning, recalibration and repairs/maintenance. However, such issues are discussed in advance during Industry Logistics Plan (ILP) meetings and product receipts to concerned locations are accordingly regulated and product/ullage assistance with other oil industry members are finalised for ensuring market demand in full.

(b) : Since product inputs and assistance are finalised in advance during ILP meetings, productreceipts are regulated and thus demurrages are avoided.

(c) : No, Sir, in view of (b) above.